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Applicant(s): Takashi KAMADA et al

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For : IMAGE READING APPARATUS AND
IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS
THEREWITH

Art Unit : 2851

Examiner : H. Nguyen

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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This is responsive to the Office Action mailed June 21, 2001, the term for response to which expires on September 21, 2001.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please substitute amended claims 1-34 as follows:

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TG-2850 MAIL ROOM

5 (Amended) An image reading apparatus, comprising:
a document holder on which a document is placed;
a document positioning member with reference to which
the document is positioned on the document holder;
means for detecting an inclination angle of the
document positioning member with respect to a main body of the
image reading apparatus, and for storing inclination information

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